





# Family Engagement Programs

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### Child Support Facts

- Child Support Program established in 1975
- Division of Child Support (DCSE)
  - 20 District Offices Statewide
  - Collections of \$660 million in State Fiscal Year
    2015
  - Approximately 309,000 cases
    - Over 222,000 cases "Delinquent"



## Family Engagement Programs

- Engage Families in SUCCESS!
- Assist non-custodial parents by addressing barriers and connecting participants with community resources and partners





- Workforce Re-entry
- Family Re-integration
- Enhance Parenting Skills
- Reduce Cases with Large Arrears
- Right Size Orders
- Decrease Court Petitions
- Lower Rate of Recidivism

**ROLE OF DCSE: Facilitate Financial and Family Support** 

### Family Engagement Programs

- Intensive Case Monitoring Program
- Administrative Intensive Case Monitoring
  - Parents Striving for Success (PASS)
  - Family Strong Re-Entry Program



### Intensive Case Monitoring Program (ICMP)

- Provides an alternative to incarceration
- Close monitoring to overcome barriers
- Referrals to community supports



## Intensive Case Monitoring Program

#### Placement is the Decision of the Judge

#### Good candidates:

- Barriers- employment, education, vocational training, and/or mental health issues
- Previous incarceration for non-payment of support and not able to pay purge
- Previous incarceration and was able to pay purge but now has exhausted resources to obtain funds
- Historically needs more than average administrative time and assistance



## Parents Striving for Success (PASS)



- Administrative program
- More intense one on one contact with case manager
- Referrals to community resources instead of additional enforcement actions

### **PASS- Targeted Participants**

Newly obligated or facing enforcement action for failure to pay support

Unemployed or underemployed with barriers

- Examples:
  - Limited education/skills
  - Transient living arrangements
  - Substance issues
  - Limited connection with children
  - Poor parenting/co-parenting skills
  - Strained relationship with one parent



### Family Strong Re-entry Program (FSRP)

- Administrative Program
- Assists non-custodial parents facing barriers due to incarceration or prior criminal convictions



## Family Engagement Case Managers

- One on one contact to overcome barriers
- Referral to community partners/resources
- Assist with finding stable employment
- Ensure orders established on ability to pay (Right-size)
- Assist with positive reintegration into children's lives
- Assist with positive reintegration into society

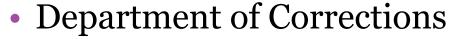


DCSE does not take enforcement actions when a participant is complying with a Family Engagement Program.



DCSE may reinstate the driver's licenses for non-custodial parents who are actively participating in Family Engagement Programs.

### **Community Partners**



- Local Departments of Social Services
- Probation and Parole
- Department of Aging and Rehabilitative Services
- Fatherhood/Co-Parenting Programs
- Employment Services, including Virginia Employment Commission
- Other Community Partners



### **Access and Visitation Program**

- Funded by grant from Office of Child Support Enforcement (OCSE)
- Services
  - Parent Education
  - Mediation
  - Development of Parenting Plans
  - Counseling



# **Questions and Answers**

